

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Idaho imports around 40% of its energy from outside of its borders according to the Governors Idaho Energy Landscape publication. As energy sources are developed in Idaho it has become apparent that other areas such as California desire Idaho generated electricity and are promoting the development of projects that are not supported by Idahoans. The Idaho Legislature has authorized the extraordinary action of taking private property for public use known as eminent domain. This legislation continues that authority for electric distribution and transmission lines providing that 75% of the electricity generated must be offered for sale within the State of Idaho at Idaho market rates. The other 25% may be sold in Idaho or outside of the state and there is no rate cap on that.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation causes no increase or decrease in revenue, or additional expenditure of funds at the state or local level of government; therefore, this legislation has no fiscal impact.

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